Commission on VASAP Legislative Committee Meeting January 9, 2012

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<u>Attendance</u>

Legislative Committee Members

Senator Henry L. Marsh, III Delegate Jackson H. Miller

Commission Staff:

Angela Coleman, Executive Director Oscar Brinson, Legal Counsel Tracy Thacker, Commission Staff

Guests:

Roy-Keith Lloyd (via teleconference) Susan Marchon (via teleconference) Rick Witthoefft

Time and Place:

The meeting of the Commission on VASAP Legislative Committee was held on Monday, January 9, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. in the 6^{th} Floor Speakers Conference Room of the General Assembly Building. The meeting was called to order by Senator Henry L. Marsh, III.

Welcome and Purpose:

Senator Marsh offered thanks to everyone in attendance. He stated that the purpose of this meeting was to review proposed legislation that would directly impact VASAP.

Chairman's Report:

Senator Marsh reported that he been advised by Senator John Watkins that he was in the process of drafting legislation specific to VASAP. The proposed legislation would move VASAP from a stand-alone Legislative Branch agency, to the Executive Branch under the auspices of the Department of Criminal Justice Services. Senator Watkins represents the 10th District which includes, Chesterfield County (part), all of Powhatan County and Richmond City (part). Senator Watkins indicated that he would be willing to meet with Senator Marsh to discuss the bill. It was decided that Senator Marsh and Delegate Iaquinto or

Delegate Jackson Miller would schedule a meeting with Senator Watkins prior to the first day of the General Assembly session. The proposed legislation would move VASAP from a stand-alone legislative branch agency, to the Executive Branch under the auspices of the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

Executive Session:

A motion was made and properly seconded to adjourn into Executive Session to consult with legal counsel on specific matters requiring legal advice.

The Legislative Committee returned to Open Session:

The Legislative Committee returned to Open Session. It was certified that only legal matters requiring legal advice were discussed in executive session.

Legislative Report

Angela Coleman presented an overview of the Legislative Report.

Among several proposed bills, Ms. Coleman stated that the Commission will be monitoring Delegate Loupassi's proposed legislation that would require ignition interlock for DUI 1st in lieu of a restricted license. This bill has been referred to the Crime Commission for a study. Senator Marsh stated that he is on the Crime Commission and will ensure the study is done.

Ms. Coleman provided an ignition interlock fact sheet for legislative committee members in attendance and also indicated that she will provide a copy to Delegate Iaquinto. Ms. Coleman noted that the fact sheet is updated every year and is made available upon request.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Senator Henry L. Marsh, III

Senator Henry L. Marsh, III. Chairman